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- 1. SOVS TABLED DEC 4 SERIES OF AMENDMENTS TO DRAFT DECISION ON COMPSOITION OF SECRETARIAT (REFTEL). CO-SPONSORS OF DECISION APPEAR TO BE WILLING TO RESIST THESE CHANGES ALTHOUGH KIVANC OF TURKEY TOLD SOVS THAT HE MIGHT BE ABLE TO ACCEPT THEM. FOLLOWING FURTHER CORRIDOR DISCUSSIONS WITH US AND OTHERS, HE NOW AGREES THAT THEY SHOULD BE OPPOSED WITH EXCEPTION OF SECOND AMENDMENT.
- 2. AMB SAFRONCHUK TOLD STOTTLEMYER THAT IN "SPIRIT" OF VALADVOSTOK" US SHOULD WITHDRAW ITS THRID AMENDMENT CONTAINED IN DOC A/C.5/L. 1192(USUN 5174). HE ARGUED THAT WE WERE "RUBBING IN THE POINT TOO MUCH;" BY THIS HE APPARENTLY MEANT THAT WE WERE UNDERMINING SOV POSITION ON EQUITABLE GEOGRPHICAL DISTRIBUTION.
- 3. USUN INTENDS TO OPPOSE SOV AMENDMENTS TO FIVE POWER DRAFT (THAILAND HAS JOINED AS CO-SPONSOR) UNLESS INSTRUCTED BY DEPT TO CONTRARY. DEPENDING ON TACTICAL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SITUATION WE COULD ACCEPT SECOND AMDNEMENT, HOWEVER.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS FOLLOWS:

1. REPLACE THE FIRST PART OF PARAGRAPH 2, SUBPARAGRAPH B, BY THE FOLLOWING TEXT:

"THE PRINCIPLE OF EQUITABLE GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION SHOULD BE APPLIED NOT ONLY TO THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARIAT AS A WHOLE BUT ALSO TO ITS INDIVIDUAL DEPARTMENTS AND UNITS,".

DELETE THE REMAINDER OF THE TEXT OF PARAGRAPH 2, SUB-PARAGRAPH B, STARTING WITH THE WORDS "AND TO THIS END...".

- 2. AT THE BEGINNING OF PARAGRAPH 2, SUBPARAGRAPH C, INSERT THE WORDS; "IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRINCIPLE OF EQUITABLE GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION,".
- 3. ADD THE FOLLOWING NEW SUBPARAGRAPH TO PARAGRAPH 2:

"E. GREATER EFFORTS SHOULD BE MADE TO INCREASE THE PERCENTAGE OF SECRETARIAT STAFF WITH FIXED-TERM CONTRACTS." END TEXT BENNETT

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